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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on January 15, 2003. Please amend the specification as shown below.

In the Specification

Please add the following paragraph before the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 15 of the original specification:

-- In one aspect, the invention concerns peptide nucleic acids which are conjugated with a group selected from alkyl, lipid, and steroid. --

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